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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: M. Priddy

In re Application of:

Gary K. Michelson, M.D.

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For: Screws of Cortical Bone and Method of Manufacture Thereof

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the restriction requirement dated May 30, 2003, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute claims 91-95, 97-101, 109, 110, 114, 115, 118-135, and 139-143 drawn to Species VII, Fig. 6. In addition, the following amendments and remarks are submitted:

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